

HIGH LEVEL TRAINING INSTITUTE

MFC

Master Financial Controller



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27 - 31 JUL 2026

LOCATION

LIVE VIRTUAL

TYPE

ONLINE TRAINING

LEVEL

ADVANCED

DELIVERY TYPE

**LIVE/VIRTUAL ONLINE
TRAINING**

Course Overview

The Master Financial Controller (MFC) program is a high-impact, executive-level certification designed for finance leaders who must operate at the intersection of strategic leadership, governance, risk management, operational excellence, sustainability/ESG integration, and digital/financial resilience in the complex, fast-evolving business environment of 2026.

No longer just a “numbers person” or compliance gatekeeper, the modern financial controller is expected to:

- ✓ Serve as a strategic partner to the CEO and board
- ✓ Drive dynamic planning, forecasting, and capital allocation
- ✓ Oversee robust governance, internal controls, and fraud prevention
- ✓ Embed ESG/sustainability into financial decision-making (CSRD/ESRS, IFRS S1/S2)
- ✓ Ensure resilience across cyber, third-party, climate, and operational risks (DORA, EU AI Act)
- ✓ Deliver fast, accurate closes and real-time insights through data analytics & AI tools

This program delivers a complete playbook — from governance & risk mastery to advanced budgeting, process optimization, working capital leadership, performance measurement, and business continuity — equipping participants to lead finance as a value-creating, future-proof function.

Benefits of Attending

- ✓ Elevate from operational controller to strategic C-suite partner
- ✓ Achieve full alignment with regulatory & governance realities
- ✓ Lead fast, accurate, and resilient financial closes
- ✓ Drive dynamic budgeting, forecasting & performance management
- ✓ Optimize capital allocation & investment decisions
- ✓ Strengthen core business process controls & fraud resistance
- ✓ Maximize working capital & treasury performance
- ✓ Deliver advanced financial & operational analysis
- ✓ Build enterprise-wide resilience
- ✓ Apply reusable tools such as: governance checklists, risk register templates, ESG integration, performance scorecard
- ✓ Reduce risk, improve efficiency, meet regulatory demands, protect reputation

The MFC training style

We are employing “best practice” training – called “blended training”. This involves classroom lecturing, highly intensive case study/role playing reviews, classroom interaction and feedback, and one-on-one coaching from the facilitator. We have found this to be one of the most effective training methodologies to date and many large multinationals and training companies have already taken up this “blended learning” methodology.

The MFC Master Financial Controller certification will be received approximately one month following the close of the workshop.

Who Should Attend

The Master Financial Controller (MFC) program is tailored for professionals who want to broaden their strategic and leadership responsibilities in finance, governance, risk, and operations. It assumes participants already have solid experience in financial reporting, controls, budgeting, or treasury, and are ready to step into a strategic controller / CFO-track role.

Ideal participants include:

- ✓ Financial Controllers / Chief Financial Controllers
- ✓ Finance Directors / Heads of Finance
- ✓ Deputy CFOs / CFOs-in-waiting
- ✓ Group Finance Managers / Regional Finance Directors
- ✓ Chief Accounting Officers / Corporate Controllers
- ✓ Heads of FP&A / Treasury / Financial Planning
- ✓ Senior Finance Managers transitioning to strategic leadership roles
- ✓ Internal Audit / Risk / Compliance Leaders who support finance governance
- ✓ Finance Business Partners working closely with C-suite & board
- ✓ Consultants & Advisors supporting finance transformation, controls, or ESG integration

If your current or next role involves strategic financial leadership, governance oversight, risk & resilience, fast close optimization, ESG integration, or board-level reporting — MFC is the right program to elevate your capability, influence, and professional standing.

By Attending This Course the Added Benefits You Will

Receive Include:

- ✓ Successful completion of this course makes you a MFC Master Financial Controller™
- ✓ You can use the designation MFC™ on your business card and resume
- ✓ Up to 22 month's membership to the GAFM® professional body
- ✓ Access to the GAFM® network and body of information online
- ✓ Preferred access to education centres in USA, UK, Europe, Asia, Middle East and Latin America
- ✓ Access to the GAFM® journal published online
- ✓ Gold Embossed Certificate with your name and designation as MGAFM (Member of the Global Academy of Finance and Management)

Program Timing

ONE WEEK LIVE ONLINE PRESENTATION

IN-House

If interested to run this course in-house please contact us at: +389 42 222 032 info@hlti.org

Certification



GAFM - Global Academy of Finance and Management

The GAFM was founded in 1996 by the original founders of the Graduate Leadership Society. The Founders of our Standards Board are CEOs, Executives, Professors, and industry experts from around the globe. We desire to raise education standards and ethics in the business and management industries. The Standards Policy Board awards specialized board certifications, designations, and charters in the fields of: finance, accounting, management, and consulting fields to qualified professionals who have completed internationally recognized or accredited exams & education, government recognized degrees and documented management credentials and experience. Since 1996, the Academy has been promoting accredited graduate standards for certification in business, management, law, and finance. Since the inception with the founding of the Graduate Institute of Leadership in 1996, the Academy has been focused on quality assurance with accredited education, exams, assessment, education, ethics, and continuing education. Further, applicants must also have the necessary experience in practice, research or publications in their respective areas of expertise.

Module 1: Governance, Ethical Leadership & Compliance Mastery

- ✓ Tone at the top, code of conduct, ethical culture (board expectations)
- ✓ Modern company codes of ethics (including AI ethics, ESG commitments)
- ✓ Corporate governance in practice: board committee charters, skills matrix, three-lines model
- ✓ Entity-level controls effectiveness (COSO 2013 + ESG integration)
- ✓ Controller's role in compliance, GRC, whistleblower protection
- ✓ Strategic GRC roadmap - 10 steps to implementation
- ✓ Practical output: Gap analysis checklist & ethics/compliance self-assessment

Module 2: Enterprise Risk Management & Controller's Risk Leadership

- ✓ Risk management models (COSO ERM, ISO 31000, DORA resilience framework)
- ✓ Controller's role in ERM, risk appetite, emerging risks (cyber, AI, climate)
- ✓ Integrating risk into financial planning & controls
- ✓ Risk assessment tools & entity-level controls questionnaire
- ✓ Practical output: Risk register template & emerging risk heat map

Module 3: Internal Controls Frameworks & Fraud Prevention Toolkit

- ✓ COSO 2013 Internal Control - Integrated Framework (updated guidance)
- ✓ Controls Self-Assessment (CSA) model & Controls Integrity Management System (CIMS)
- ✓ Eight simple, cost-effective financial controls
- ✓ Top 20 internal controls that prevent fraud (2026 version)
- ✓ Implementing continuous control monitoring (CCM)
- ✓ Case study: WorldCom-style fraud red flags & control failure analysis

Module 4: Strategic & Dynamic Budgeting / Forecasting

- ✓ Linking budgeting/forecasting to strategic plan & ESG targets
- ✓ 7-step strategic planning process & readiness checklist
- ✓ Moving to dynamic budgeting (rolling forecasts, driver-based, AI-assisted)
- ✓ Performance metrics: measuring strategic plan effectiveness
- ✓ Practical output: Rolling forecast template & KPI scorecard

Module 5: Capital Budgeting, Investment Evaluation & Financing

- ✓ Controller's responsibilities in capital allocation
- ✓ Capital Review & Approval Board (CARB) process
- ✓ Advanced capital evaluation: risk-adjusted NPV, real options, climate/ESG filters
- ✓ Evaluating financing options: debt, equity, green/sustainability-linked instruments
- ✓ Exercise: Capital investment case with ESG & risk-adjusted analysis

Module 6: Fast & Accurate Financial Close / Record-to-Report

- ✓ Strategies for fast close (record-to-report optimization)
- ✓ Global & intercompany close considerations (CSRD/ESRS data flow)
- ✓ Monthly close checklist for small-to-mid size businesses
- ✓ Standards for financial close process
- ✓ Practical output: Financial close playbook & acceleration checklist

Module 7: Core Business Process Controls & Optimization

- ✓ Procure-to-Pay (P2P): supplier master, invoice processing, disbursement, P-card abuse prevention
- ✓ Travel & Entertainment (T&E): policy, compliance, AI-assisted review
- ✓ Payroll: fraud red flags, overtime, highly compensated employees
- ✓ Order-to-Cash (O2C) / Accounts Receivable: credit/collections, bad debt
- ✓ Supply chain & inventory: resilience, costing methods, circular economy trends
- ✓ Case studies & exercise: Process fraud & control failure analysis (P2P, AR, payroll, supply chain)

Module 8: Working Capital, Treasury & Cash Flow Leadership

- ✓ Managing working capital cycle — risk, efficiency, liquidity linkages
- ✓ Advanced cash flow forecasting (AI-assisted, scenario-based)
- ✓ Foreign exchange policy, hedging, exposure management
- ✓ Treasury standards & controls (electronic payments, international methods)
- ✓ Case studies: Working capital crises & turnaround strategies

Module 9: Advanced Financial & Operational Analysis

- ✓ Evaluating capital investments & financing options
- ✓ Cash flow, break-even, sensitivity, scenario, “what-if” modeling
- ✓ Operational analysis: management performance, process cycle efficiency, profitability
- ✓ Financial analysis reports & tools (spreadsheet mastery)
- ✓ Determining cost of capital (WACC, risk-adjusted)
- ✓ Practical output: Financial analysis dashboard & scenario model

Module 10: Performance Measurement, Benchmarking, Resilience & Capstone

- ✓ Establishing finance & accounting benchmarking process
- ✓ Defining metrics: finance, operational, sustainability/ESG
- ✓ The operational & strategic scorecard (balanced scorecard + ESG integration)
- ✓ Controller’s role in business continuity & resilience (DORA alignment)
- ✓ Developing finance continuity & recovery plans
- ✓ Strategic Financial Controller Roadmap

Review and Revision

Programme Close
Examination



Prof. Dr. Gianfranco Antonio Vento

Professor Gianfranco Antonio Vento is a highly experienced banking and finance professional, with over 20 years of expertise in treasury management, liquidity risk, financial strategy, and banking regulation. His extensive career spans executive leadership, academia, consultancy, and training, making him a sought-after expert in treasury operations, risk-based auditing, liquidity planning, and financial risk management.

He served as Chief Executive Officer of Cassa di Risparmio della Repubblica di San Marino (2020–2023) and currently holds a position on the Board of Directors of the bank. He is a Chair of Banking and Finance at Guglielmo Marconi University (Rome, Italy) and has previously been a Full Professor of Banking and Finance at Regent's University (London, UK).

His academic and professional contributions extend to key financial institutions, including the Bank of Italy, where he worked as a Senior Financial Analyst, focusing on liquidity risk, Basel II implementation, risk management, and financial institution governance.

Professor Vento's expertise in treasury and liquidity risk management is backed by his extensive consulting and training experience across global banking institutions, central banks, and multinational corporations. He has delivered specialized training programs covering treasury operations, liquidity planning, asset-liability management (ALM), cash flow optimization, financial risk controls, and strategic liquidity management. His clients include:

- * International Financial Institutions - European Union, The Microfinance Association (UK), Italian Banking Association
- * Banking and Treasury Teams - Unicredit Bank, Mediocredito Centrale, UBA, Diamond Bank, Access Bank, Ecobank, Nigeria Deposit Insurance Company
- * Government and Regulatory Bodies - Belize Credit Union League, Province of Rome, Lazio Region, Risorsa Donna Foundation

With a strong academic foundation—including a PhD in Banking and Finance (University of Rome La Sapienza), a Master in Banking and International Finance (CASS Business School, London), and specialized research in microfinance and financial risk—Professor Vento bridges the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical treasury applications.

His vast experience in treasury strategy, cash and liquidity management, and risk-based financial planning makes him an invaluable resource for professionals looking to enhance their treasury operations and financial risk frameworks.

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